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In re Application of

Toukichi ICHIGE

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For: WATER-ACTIVATING SHOWER APPARATUS

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

By Official Action mailed November 19, 2004 restriction to one of the following inventions is required under 35 USC 121:

- I. Figures 1 and 2
- II. Figures 4A, 4B, 5A, 5B
- III. Figures 6A, 6B, 6C
- IV. Figures 7A, 7B
- V. Figures 8A, 8B
- VI. Figures 9-11
- VII. Figures 12A, 12B

In response, Applicant hereby elects Species VII., Figures 12A, 12B, for examination in this case. Claims 1, 3, 5 and 6 are readable on the species of Figures 12A and 12B.

Early examination on the merits is courteously solicited.

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To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 07-1337 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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